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For: PIPETTE TIP PACKAGING AND)
TRANSFER SYSTEM)
Examiner: Handy, D.)

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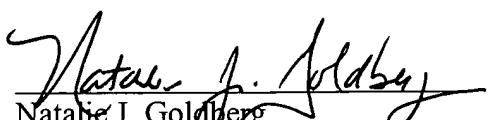
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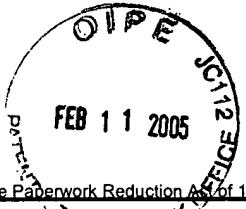
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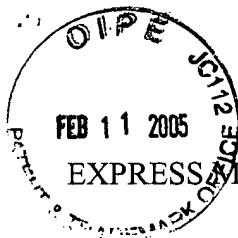
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Madam/Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 11, 2004, Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal dated February 7, 2005. However, a telephone interview discussed in more detail hereinafter suggested that further amendments as set forth herein may be sufficient to render the application allowable. Thus applicants submit the amendments herein to place this case in condition for immediate allowance.

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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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<u>Application Type</u>	<u>FILING FEES</u>		<u>SEARCH FEES</u>		<u>EXAMINATION FEES</u>		<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>		
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14 - 20 or HP =	0	x 0	= 0		50	25
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.					200	100
Indep. Claims	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>		360	180
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Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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